

Remarks/Arguments:

In section one of the Office Action, claim 1 was objected to due to an informality. The Office Action suggests that the word "data" be deleted from claim 1, line 12, for clarity.

Applicant has amended claim 1 in accordance with this suggestion for clarity, and not for reasons related to patentability. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to claim 1 be withdrawn.

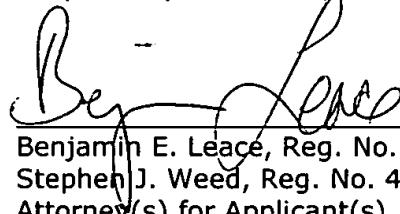
In section three of the Office Action, claims 1-29 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting (i.e., nonstatutory double patenting) as being unpatentable over claims 1-24 of U.S. Patent No. 6,389,337. As recited in the Office Action, "[a] timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) may be used to overcome ... a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent is shown to be commonly owned with this application." Applicant encloses herewith a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c). Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claim 1-29 be withdrawn.

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Accordingly, Applicant requests reconsideration of the claims, as amended. Applicant contends that the claims now pending are in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

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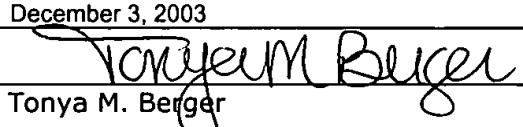
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